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"Islands, Castles & Portable Operations"
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12/11/2008: The 18th Bulgarian antarctic expedition (with 15 technicians and scientists) is leaving to day for St. Kliment Ohridski station (WABA LZ-02, WAP BGR-01) on Livingston Island (62? 38?S - 60? 21? W) / South Shetland (AN-010). Spain will support the expedition with polar boat Las Palmas. Last season, Mitko was very active with VP8/LZ1UQ call sign. Let?s hope that an activity will be also possible ! [F8DVD]

13/11/2008: Operators Rene/DL2JRM and Daniel/DL5YWM will be staying in Lima, Peru, from between November 13-28th. In their spare time they will operate as OA4/homecall mainly on CW with a focus on the low bands. QSL via home calls. [DX Newsletter]

15/11/2008: Peter, HA3AUI is once again heading south to Senegal and Guinea-Bissau. From November 15, 2008 to about March 31, 2009 he will be signing 6W2SC and J5UAP. 6W: 160-10m, spiderbeam, verticals, dipoles, 500W. J5: 160-10m, spiderbeam, verticals, dipoles, 100W. For both QTHs mostly digital modes, some SSB, CW on request. QSL via HA3AUI direct or HA Bureau. [NG3K]

15/11/2008: Sacramento de Colonia Radio Club (CX2FAA) members Ricardo/CX5FT, Viterbo/CX9FD, Italo/CX3FG, Marber/CX9ACK and Walter/CX6FF plan to be QRV November 15-16th as CX1F from San Gabriel Island (SA-057), Uruguay. Look for activity on the major HF bands on SSB, CW, PSK and SSTV. QSL direct to PO Box 39073, 70000 Colonia del Sacramento, Uruguay. Further information on their web site at cx2faa.iespana.es/ [rsgbiota.org]

15/11/2008: Operators KC1SS, K4UBT, W4MKH, N4FPS, W9QGB, W7GAM, N6VX and AB4EW will be active from Talbot Island (NA-138, USi FL-121S), Duval County, Florida, November 15-16th. They plan to be QRV all bands using CW and SSB. QSL via N4AUG (QRZ.com). [rsgbiota.org]

15/11/2008: Jorge/OA4BHY, Rene/DL2JRM and Daniel/DL5YWM will activite the last Peruvian IOTA SA-075, using the call sign OA4BHY/2. It is planed to visit the Gua?ape Islands (probably the southern island, Isla Gua?ape Sur) from November 15-17th. They will run two stations, with focus on 40m and 30m CW during the Japanese night and morning hours. They also hope to operated from the lighthouse (ARLHS PER-007, TWLHD WLH OA-006) which is on top of the island. Our team-member and QSL-manager Rene/DL2JRM is offering a special QSL-service to you and your IOTA friends. Any donation can be sent via PayPal using the button on the OC1I / OC6I DXpedition webside at: www.qslnet.de/member/oc1i/english/e_sponsor.htm [JI6KVR]

15/11/2008: Oleg, UA9UAX will be active as UA9UAX/8 from the QTH of Pavel, UA8TA (RDA UO-01), Irkutsk region, oblast #174 (UO for Rossija award). The 8th call area is a very rare region in Siberia. Oleg is expected to be active during the second part of November. Exact dates and length of stay will depend on local conditions. QRV 160, 80, 40 and 20 meters, mainly CW, with IC-736 and wire antennas. QSL via homecall, bureau or direct. Some very interesting photographs of Pavel and the UA8TA QTH can be found at: rx0sd.ucoz.ru/publ/1-1-0-2 [UA9UAX]

16/11/2008: Serge, F6AUS will be active as TO2HI from Les Saintes (NA-114) from November 16th to December 3rd, including an entry in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. QSL via home call. [425 DX News]

17/11/2008: Rich, PA0RRS will be active again as 9M2MRS from Penang Island (AS-015, also count for WLOTA LH-2743) from November 17, 2008 until February 6, 2009. QSL via home call. [425 DX News]

18/11/2008: Look for 5K0T and HK0/HK3JJH to be active from Roncador Bank (NA-133) from November 18-21st. The four person DXpedition will focus on low band operation, especially 160 meters, and will be operated by George/AA7JV, Tomi/HA7RY, Pedro/HK3JJH and Fero/HA8MT. The group will operate two stations from 160 to 6m. Electric power will be supplied by two generators. One will supply 120V and the other 230V for the amplifiers. 2 battery chargers and 4 batteries serve as backup. The radios will be a Elecraft K3, an Icom IC-746PRO and a IC-706. They will have a Tokyo H.power amplifier with a homemede 2kW auto tuner and a SGC 500W amplifier with a matching auto tuner. Antennas will be solely verticals mounted over salt water. We will bring two 18m and two 12m Spiderpoles. Six meter antenna will be DuneStar Rover 6 Quad. QSL 5J0T via HA7RY either direct or via bureau. QSL HK0/HK3JJH via home call, direct or bureau. Further information and log search at www.5k0t.com/ [K1XN]

18/11/2008: Eric, F6ICX will be active as 5R8IC from Sainte Marie Island [Nosy Boraha] (AF-090, also count for WLOTA LH-0491) between November 18th and December 14th. He plans to operate mainly CW on 30-10 meters. QSL via home call. [425 DX News]

19/11/2008: Dave, 3DA0VM will be active from Hawane Resort, Swaziland, November 19-23rd. Look for activity on 40-10 meters, SSB only. QSL via ZS6AVM, direct only. [NG3K]

19/11/2008: Russell, G5XW will be touring the Orkney Islands (EU-009) from November 19-23rd. Activation of various islands in the Orkney group, excluding Stroma. QSL direct only via G5XW (QRZ.com), with SASE/SAE and sufficient postage. [rsgbiota.org]

19/11/2008: Operators Roger/W7VV, Ralph/VE7XF and Brian/N9ADG will be active from the VP5JM Hamlet, located on Providenciales (NA-002) from November 19th to December 3rd, including a Multi-Single entry in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 29-30th) as VP5W. Outside the contest they will be QRV 160-6m using VP5/homecall. QSL via home calls. QSL VP5W via W7TSQ. [NG3K]

20/11/2008: Toshi, JA8BMK plans to be active from Kanton Island, Central Kiribati (OC-043) from November 20-30th. QRV all bands using CW, SSB, RTTY, BPSK31 and SSTV. Equipment: FT-897D and HL-1.2Kfx. Antenna/Vert, yagi and Inv V. QSL via home call, direct only. [NG3K]

21/11/2008: Aki, JA1NLX will be active as 3D2YA from Mana Island (OC-121) from November 21-27th. QRV 80-10 meters using CW. QSL via JA1NLX, direct or bureau or LoTW. [NG3K]

21/11/2008: The 095 DX TEAM will be active from Salina Island (EU-017, IIA ME-015, MIA MI-083, WLOTA LH-1005) from November 21-23rd. Look for the following operators to be active - ID9/IW9GUR, ID9/IW9HLM, ID9/IW9HQP, ID9/IT9RKR and ID9/IT9GCG. The team will also activate Fossa delle felci Mountain (SOTA reference SL-022). QSL all calls via their home call signs, direct or bureau. Further information can be found on their website at www.095dxteam.org/ [rsgbiota.org]

21/11/2008: Lee, K5UN will be operating as TO5X from the QTH of Laurent, FM5BH, located in Ducos, Martinique Island (IOTA NA-107, DIFO FM-001, WLOTA LH-1041) from November 21-30th, including an entry (category TBA) in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 29-30th). Outside the contest look for activity on all bands 160-10m and modes. QSL via K5UN, direct - bureau - LoTW - eQSL. [NG3K]

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LOOKING AHEAD -

22/11/2008: Look for Tibor/HA7TM (T88CJ) and Pista/HA5AO (T88CI) to be active from the Palau Pacific Resort Hotel, Arakabesan Island, Koror, Republic of Palau (OC-009, WW Loc. PJ77FI) from November 22nd to December 3rd. They will also participate in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry, using the call sign T88CJ. Outside the contest they will be QRV 160-6 meters, mainly CW, with focus on Europe. QSL via home calls, direct or via HA QSL bureau. Further information and online log search can be found at: www.ha7tm.hu/t88/ [HA0HW]

23/11/2008: Jean-Pierre F5AHO will be FK/F5AHO from November 23rd to December 13th. He will stay on Grande Terre (IOTA OC-032, DIFO FK-001, WLOTA LH-1280) from November 23 to December

5th, Lifou Island (IOTA OC-033, DIFO FK-012, WLOTA LH-0578) from December 7-8th, and Pins Island (IOTA OC-032 DIFO FK-020, WLOTA LH-0378) from December 10-12th. He will be active in SSB on 40, 20 and 17m (IOTA QRG). QSL via F5AHO, direct or bureau. [F6AJA]

25/11/2008: Seppo, OH1VR will be active as OH1VR/VP9 from the QTH of VP9GE on the island of Bermuda (NA-005, WLOTA LH-0201) between November 25th and December 2nd. He will also be QRV as VP9I in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 29-30th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/Low-Power entry. QSL OH1VR/VP9 direct to home call. QSL VP9I via N1HRA, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

29/11/2008: Brian, ND3F will once again be active from the Bahama Islands as C6AQQ during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 29-30th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (40m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via home call. [NG3K]

29/11/2008: Tom, K6CT will be active as CW7T from La Paloma, Rocha, Uruguay, during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via K5WW, direct preferred but bureau ok. [NG3K]

29/11/2008: Serge, UT5UDX will be signing ER0WW from Kyiv, Ukraine, during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via UT3UA. [NG3K]

29/11/2008: Efstathios, SV5DKL will be active from Rhodes Island (EU-001, WLOTA LH-0045) as SX5R during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 29-30th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m)/High-Power entry. QSL direct only to SV5DKL (QRZ.com). [NG3K]

29/11/2008: Nick, UN4L will be active from Kazakhstan for the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 29-30th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (80m)/High-Power entry. QSL via UA9AB, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

29/11/2008: Pai, VU2PAI will be active from Mangalore, India, for the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL direct only (QRZ.com). [NG3K]

29/11/2008: Look for Tom, KC0W/ZD7X to be active from Cambodia as XU7XXX during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 29-30th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via KC0W, direct only. [NG3K]

29/11/2008: Dudy, YB0DPO will be active from Jakarta, Java Island (OC-021, WLOTA LH-1660), Indonesia, during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL route TBA. [NG3K]

30/11/2008: Herbert, DE1ZHB/7Z1HB, will be active as Z21LS from Harare, Zimbabwe, between November 30th and December 9th. Herbert reports that he prefers 20 meters SSB, but basically he will be all bands. He also mentioned that if he a can fix his computer there will be PSK and RTTY. There is another issue Herbert mentioned which is his antenna. Right now it is only a windom all bands antenna, but at the Riyadh Airport there is a StepperIR antenna waiting for clearance. If it can make clearance in time, he will install it permanently in Zimbabwe (However, he states time is runnig out). QSL via DE1ZHB (DARC Office, Germany, SWL callsign) or direct to 7Z1HB: Herbert Baurmann, Jadawel International, P.O. Box 61539, Riyadh 11575, Villa 408, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (SAE plus 2 green stamps). [OPDX Bulletin]

01/12/2008: Special event station R70B will be active from December 1-15th to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the formation of the city of Belovo, the Kemerovo region. QSL via RA9UT, bureau preferred. A special 'Belovo-70' award will be available. Further information on this event and relevant award can be found at: www.qrz.ru/awards/detail/503.html [UA9UAX]

05/12/2008: Tom, KC0W/ZD7X will be active from Cambodia as XU7XXX during the ARRL 160-Meter Contest (December 5-7th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via KC0W, direct only. Tom reports that after his stay in Cambodia he plans on activating Laos and Viet Nam for an extended DXpedition of up to 3 months in each country.[NG3K]

06/12/2008: Operators Lucio/PP5AVM, Carlos/PP5AX, Joaquim/PP5JY, Lira/PP5LL, Mauricio/PP5WB and Mario/PP5MQ will be active as ZV5V and ZV5Z December 6-13th from Paz [aka Gracas] Island (SA-027, DIB #63 for the Brazilian Islands Award, WLOTA LH-1983, WW Loc. GG53ST). QRV 80-10

meters, using Phone and CW. Tecnical suport will be provided by Ezequiel/PP5HQ and Alfredo/PP5KDT. Mainland suport provided by Osny/PP5AIM and PP5ZZ/Mauro. QSL both calls via PP5CIT, direct (QRZ.com). Further information can be found at: www.pazis.blogspot.com/ [JI6KVR]

29/12/2008: To commemorate the 4th International Polar year, Fran?ois, F8DVD will sign TM4IPY (WAP 084) from December 29th, 2008 until January 11th, 2009. Activity from 10 to 30m, CW, SSB and digitals. Special QSL card with a Concordia Antarctic base picture, via the French bureau or direct (SAE + postage) to: F8DVD Fran?ois Bergez, 6, rue de la Libert?, 71000 Macon, France. [F5NQL]

01/01/2009: Paul, VE9NC will be activating the special event call sign CG9NC between January 1st through February 28th to celebrate the International Year of Astronomy from Hampton, New Brunswick. He will be active mainly on 20 meters on the Digital modes throughout this period. QSL via VE9NC. [RAC]

01/03/2009: Special event call sign VC3Y will be aired March 1st to 31st to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the York Amateur Radio Club (VE3YRA). QSL via VE3CWO, direct (Douglas Robert Holmes, R.R. #1, 2600 Boag Road, Queensville, ON L0G 1R0 Canada) or bureau. [RAC]

22/07/2009: Terry/W6WTG (V31UR) and Sharon/N2OWL (V31WL) will be active from Caye Caulker (NA-073), Belize, from July 22-29th. Terry plans to operate 6 meters (Grid EK57) and also 20 and 40 meters, including an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). They will be staying in a cottage about 30 feet from the Carribean, using a Icom 7000. Further information and updates, along with QSL info can be found at: www.w6wtg.com/ [NG3K]

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SPECIAL EVENTS -

13/11/2008: The ARAP87 Amateur Radio Club will use the special event call sign TM5TUR from November 13-26th to celebrate the Science week in the Turgot Gymnasiun, in the city of Limoges, Central France. QSL via F6KTW, bureau preferred. [F5NQL]

14/11/2008: Special event station GB70RAF will be aired between November 14th and December 11th to celebrate RAFARS 70th Anniversary. QTH will be from Shaftesbury Dorset (WAB ST82). They plan to be QRV 80-10 meter CW and SSB, plus 2m FM. QSL via the RSGB bureau. [F5NQL]

15/11/2008: Special event station TM8TEG will be active November 15-29th on all bands and modes to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the French department of Tarn-et-Garonne, created in 1808 by Napoleon I. QSL via operator's instructions. [425 DX News]

15/11/2008: Surabhi, VU2DSI will use the special event call sign AU2JCB from November 15th to December 8th to commemorate the 150 birth-anniversary of Sir Jagadish Chandra Bose, "Father of Radio Communication". Look for other VU stations who will also be using special call signs for this event. QSL AU2JCB via VU2DSI, direct (QRZ.com) or e-QSL. Further information for this event can be found at: www.geocities.com/mumukshu/bose.html [VU2DSI]

15/11/2008: Celebrating the last flag-lowering ceremony that will take place on November 19th, special event station II1ADV will be active from the Italian Navy frigate "Carabiniere" November 15-19th. Expect SSB, CW and PSK activity from 0800 to 1900 UTC. QSL via IW1RLR, direct or bureau. Information on the relevant award can be found at www.assoradiomarinai.tk/ [425 DX News]

U.S.A. Special event station information can be found at: www.arrl.org/contests/spev.html

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LIGHTHOUSE CALENDAR -

17/11-6/2/09 9M2MRS: Pulau Penang WLOTA:2743 QSL PA0RRS (d/b)
18/11-14/12 5R8IC: Nosy Boraha (Ste Marie) WLOTA:0491 QSL F6ICX (d/b)
21/11-23/11 ID9/IT9GCG: Isola Salina WLOTA:1005 QSL HC (d/b)
21/11-23/11 ID9/IT9RKR: Isola Salina WLOTA:1005 QSL HC (d/b)
21/11-23/11 ID9/IW9GUR: Isola Salina WLOTA:1005 QSL HC (d/b)

21/11-23/11 ID9/IW9HLM: Isola Salina WLOTA:1005 QSL HC (d/b)
21/11-23/11 ID9/IW9HQP: Isola Salina WLOTA:1005 QSL HC (d/b)
21/11-30/11 TO5X: Martinique Island WLOTA:1041 QSL K5UN (d/b)
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SIX METERS & UP -

A4, OMAN - Frank, DL8YHR, was the OP of the EME project (A43DLH) in OMAN and have had on Monday his last activity day at at LL93. So please have a look out for the last update of his LOG (11.11.2008 00UT) and some FOTOs at: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=1361
The crew is expected to be back in Germany to day.
QSL via DK7PE (Rudolf Klos, Ulrichstrasse 26, D-55128 Mainz, Germany) and LoTW.
A43DLH Web page to be updated:
http://www.dj3fk.de/larc/a43dlh/a43dlh-e.html [MMMonVHF]

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND - Ernie, W1MRQ, is back now on 144 MHz as ZD8B from Ascension Island. He is QRV from grid II22TB with 4x 5el Antennas and 180 Watt on 144 MHz. QRV until the weekend of Christmas. Ernie did work his first QSOs via Moon from that location in a huge pile up (up to 10 stations in parallel was seen...). QSL via K1CA (Larrys working on the cards for the printers, so, not available yet...). [MMMonVHF]

- GOT6??? - 6M Information by Andy, N8OFS (Updated November 09, 2008) at:
www.noars.net/got6/GOT6.txt
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QSL INFO -

The following operations are approved for DXCC credit:

CY0X - Sable Island
2008 Operation

VU7SJ - Lakshadweep Islands
2008 Operation

If you have had QSO's rejected for this operation please send an e-mail to dxcc@arrl.org to be placed on the list to be updated.

73 es DX!
Bill Moore NC1L
Awards Branch Manager

Robert, E77E (ex. T98U) that he will handle QSL cards for Dado, E74AW. E77E address is OK on QRZ.COM, bureau cards are fine too (Robert is E7 outgoing QSL bureau manager). [E73Y]

QSLs received Bureau - 3V8SM, 6W/F6HMJ, 6W7RV (via F8CMT), 9M8DX (via DL4DBR), 9N7WE (via SP9FIH), BX3/DJ3KR, EL2PM (via EI5IF), J28JA (via F5JFU), NP2/AK2P (via UX0FF), VI9NI (via VK4PW), XU7DXX (via M5AAV), YI9RKB (via SP1RKB), ZD8Q (via G4TSH)

QSLs received Direct - 4L1MA (via ON4RU), 5W0JT (via WF5E), 9M6OO (via N2OO), A25/DL7DF (via DL7UFR), C4M (via W3HNK), CO8LY (via WF5E), CU7/DL5AXX (via WF5E), CY0X (via VE3IKV), D2NX (via JH7FQK), D4C (via IZ4DPV), FO/N6JA (via WF5E), HC8N (via W5UE), KH7B (via KH6G), KP2M (via AI4U), MU0BKA (via K4ZLE), OJ0B (via OH2BH), T94CT (via WF5E), TK7C (via F9IE), TM7F (via WF5E), V63DX (via JA7MHZ), VI9NI (via VK4FW), XW1B (via E21EIC), YS3/I2JIN (via I2JIN), ZD8LP (via VP8LP), ZP6/DL7UFN (via DL7UFN)

QSLs received LoTW - EW5HQ, F6ENO, FM/F5PHW, G3ZEM, GI0KOW, GM2T, HQ9R, HR9/WQ7R, K2PS, K4EU, K6IDX, KC6X, KE1B, LA8D, N1SW, N2AN, N6NF, N6RK, OY/DL2VFR, W1AW/9, W6YO, W9WI, WC4E, WE4OJ, WU4G, ZD9ZM
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SILENT KEYS -

Bogdan Ivanovich Voychuk, UR0YY of Chernivtsi, Ukraine, has been reported silent key on November 9, 2008 at the age of 60. The aficionado of digital forms of communication. Directed many efforts on the advancement of the MixW program. Soft, sympathetic, ready always to come to the rescue of all who required it. He will be missed.

Leo ZL2AJB, one of life's true gentlmen passed away November 6, 2008.

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BITS & PIECES -

- Netherlands Antilles to net new DXCC Entities for 2008. Over the past year much discussion has been made about the possibility of new DXCC entities happening once the break-up/disbanding of the Netherlands Antilles takes effect on December 15th, 2008. This past week, the President of European DX Foundation (EUDXF), Hans, PB2T, who visited ARRL HQ in July and had a discussion about the DXCC status of Netherlands Antilles, feels that after December 15th, 2008, it looks like four new entities will be added to the DXCC list in the future (Curacao, Sint Maarten, Saba, Sint Eustatius and Bonaire). [IQ8OM]

- Please note that the World HF Contest Station Database has a new url at:
www.conteststations.com/

- CQ COMMUNICATIONS ACQUIRES WORLDRADIO MAGAZINE -
(Hicksville, NY and Sacramento, CA, November 12, 2008) -- CQ Communications, Inc. has acquired WorldRadio magazine, CQ Publisher Dick Ross, K2MGA and WorldRadio Publisher Armond Noble, N6WR, announced jointly today. CQ, based in Hicksville, New York, currently publishes CQ Amateur Radio, CQ VHF and Popular Communications magazines.
WorldRadio, based in Sacramento, California, has been published monthly since July, 1971, with a primary focus on the human side of ham radio. CQ, a general-interest ham radio magazine best known for its support of DXing and contesting, has been in print since January, 1945.
Armond Noble, N6WR, Publisher of WorldRadio, said that at the age of 74 the time had come for him to retire. "I wanted to be sure that WorldRadio found a good home, and that our readers would continue to be served by an independent voice in amateur radio," Noble said.
CQ Publisher Dick Ross, K2MGA, said, "WorldRadio has filled an important niche in our hobby for nearly four decades. We welcome WorldRadio's readers to the CQ family, and we look forward to meeting their needs for many years to come."
Current plans call for WorldRadio to continue to be published online as part of the CQ family of magazines, with Editor Nancy Kott, WZ8C, continuing in that position. WorldRadio subscribers will also have their subscriptions transferred to CQ magazine. Readers will be notified of details as plans are finalized.

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73 and Good DX!
Dave Raycroft, VA3RJ
Home of ICPO: http://webhome.idirect.com/~va3rj/
Contest Calendar - DX Calendar - Lighthouse Activations
Join ICPO e-Group: http://webhome.idirect.com/~va3rj/icpo_mail.html

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All Croatian Islands Award Group - ACIAG
The World Light House Diplom - TWLHD

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